# AJHS PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

Distance Learning Lab **National Honor Society National Arts Honor Society National Technical Honor Society** Beta Club Interact Club Laptop Lab Field Trips **Teacher Cadet** Dance AJHS Chorus AJHS Show Choir AJHS Marching Band JROTC Drill Team **Future Farmers of America** Yearbook Staff **Student Council** Library Assistants Office Assistants First Priority Drama **International Thespian Society** Service Learning Fall and Spring School Open House Freshman Orientation

**Food Drives** 

Christian Athletes — FCA

**Comprehensive Sports Activities** 

## **AJHS Facts**

Grades served 9-12

Student enrollment 608

Economic status
42% free and reduced lunch

Number of teachers 40

Teachers with advanced degrees 48.7%

Number of classified staff 9

#### **School Website**

http://lancasterajhs.ss5.sharpschool.com/

**Athletic Booster Club Web Site** 

www.ajvols.com

## Andrew Jackson High School

### "AN ARTS FOCUS SCHOOL"



2014-2015 Annual Report

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## Mission and Beliefs

**Mission Statement:** The mission of Andrew Jackson High School is to develop competent, responsible, productive lifelong learners by providing resources and experiences in a safe and secure environment.

Putting Students First- Nurturing, Inspiring, Empowering

#### We Believe

- 1. that all individuals are responsible for their own actions.
- 2. that the use of a variety of teaching methods accommodates differences in learning styles.
- 3. that all students have dignity and develop self-esteem when treated with respect.
- 4. that learning is a life-long process.
- that our school, in cooperation with parents and the community, has the responsibility to provide the resources, environment, and the life-long learning skills to make the student a productive citizen.
- 6. that students learn best when their basic needs are met.
- 7. that all people have a right to a safe, secure, and danger-free environment.
- 8. that cooperation among parents, school personnel, and students is essential to the educational process.
- 9. that respect for cultural diversity contributes to growth.
- that all students should have an equal opportunity to learn and become productive citizens.
- 11. that the arts contribute to the development of the total student.

## **School Performance**

- Students will meet established state academic standards on end-ofcourse tests in English Language Arts, mathematics, science, and social studies.
- 2. Eighty percent of vocational students will master 86 percent of state subject area competencies.
- Ninety percent of vocational completers will graduate from high school.
- The average three-year placement rate for vocational completers will be at least 50 percent.

# Spring 2014 Data for Andrew Jackson High

2012

	2013	2014
Exit Exam Passage Rate		
For second year students	83%	79%
For All students	88.3%	89.4%
End of course passage rate, all students	69.2%	72.9%
Four-Year Cohort Graduation Rate	74.1%	83.8%

# Accomplishments and Recognitions

- Palmetto Gold Award for General Performance
- Magna Cum Laude Award for ACT Improvement
- Band had their best finish ever at the State Championships by finishing 8th
- Six chorus students placed in the National Honor Choir
- The FFA tractor driving team won the state championship
- volleyball, softball, and golf won region titles

## School Community Perceptions

	Parents	Teachers	Students
Learning Environment	79%	96.9%	73.2%
Home School Relations	75.7%	87.5%	80.5%
Social and Physical Environment	83.8%	100%	75.9%

% favorable responses.